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### Republican State Convention.

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A Republican State Convention to nominate one Justice of the Supreme Court in place of Thomas M. Cooley, whose term will expire December 31, 1885, and two Regents of the University in the places of George Duffield and J. J. Van Riper, whose terms will expire Dec. 31, 1885, will be held at Buck's Opera House, in the City of Lansing, on Wednesday, the 11th day of March, 1885, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Counties will be entitled to one delegate for each 500 votes cast for Governor at the last election, and one additional delegate for every fraction of 300 votes. Each organized county will be entitled to at least one delegate.

Under a resolution heretofore adopted no delegate will be entitled to a seat in the convention who does not reside in the county he proposes to represent.

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Detroit, Feb. 4, 1885. On the above named basis of representation Kent county will send 39 delegates, Ionia 16, Alle-gan 17, Ottawa 14, Mecosta 9, Muskegon 14, New-aygo 8, Barry 12, Oceana 6, Mason 5, Manistee 7, Lake 3, Occeola 1.

F. J. Mooch.

THE Lenten fast lasts forty days; the Democratic fast only thirteen days more.

THE editors of some of our exchanges have evidently been trying to learn to skate on rollers. Now they sit down on loss of only twelve men, all told, on the the whole business.

ONE of the pleasures which the country editor seems never willing to give up is that of reviving the old pun about the umbrella and Lent.

JOE MACKIN used to mix drinks behind a bar in Philadelphia before Carter Harrison knew him. It looks now as if he might be at work again soon behind several bars.

rible rage. Richmond, Ind., has twentyseven roller-skate factories. Let Gen. Grant come forth and sack the city! On to Richmond!

HON. SAMUEL J. RANDALL is proving himself to be about the best Democrat Cleveland could select for a Cabinet place, but that may be the very reason for his not being chosen.

DANIEL MANNING evidently wants to keep close enough to the throne to derect the scepter, but he'd rather be the power behind the throne out of sight than a power beside it in the Cabinet.

GLADSTONE'S policy was at the mercy of the Arab who slew Gordon. Had Gordon lived he might have been successful; had he been successful, Gladstone's policy would have been vindicated. But alas for Gladstone's policy with Gordon dead!

If Thurman gets a place in the Cabinet, as the last reports indicate he will, the South will have a representative. He is a Virginian of Virginians, having been born in Lynchburg in the sixth generation of Virginia-born stock. So much of a Southerner as he ought to satify the

GEN. CUTCHEON is not likely to be able to do any more work in the House during the session. He is reported as being seriously ill from nervous prostration, brought on by his arduous labors. He has been in bed since making his speech on the appropriation bill last Saturday. Although he has somewhat improved since, Dr. Bliss, his physician, says his recovery will be slow. Gen. Cutcheon has devoted himself earnestly and commendably to his public duties, and great regret will be felt at his affliction.

JUNOR WINANS, the most persistent worker of the Michigan delegation for a Cabinet place for Hon. O. M. Barnes, now acknowledges that there is no hope for a Michigan man, a fact which, with half an eye, he ought to have seen long ago. The Judge is reported as saying that he has it | true the House might lose some interest; "on the most unquestioned authority" that the Cabinet will be composed as follows: Secretary of State, Bayard; Secretary of the Treasury, Manning; Postmaster General, Lamar or McDonald; Attorney General, Garland; Secretary of the Interior. Thurman; Secretary of the Navy, a New England man, probably Abbott; Secretary of War, Vilas. The Judge says that he knows this to be anthentic, and if the Judge says it, why, of course, it's so.

An esteemed contemporary positively industry are said to be large, because Pittsburg man who might otherwise rethe pelts cost them nothing but the mbor of stealing, slaying and stripping the animals. It would be a more honest procedure, after the Tabbies which are common property have been destroyed, for ent-furriers to faire their own material. But, seriously, the time may not be for the future when the breeding of furng creatures will be a regular busi-

tematically breeding the fowls that produce the feathers, and ostrich farms are becoming quite common in South Africa. In the same way, beaver and otter farms may be realizable conceptions.

WHILE Cleveland has been seeking the advice of the multitude of his party's representatives, why has he not asked counsel of the greatest statesman that Dora. party'contains, Horatio Seymour? It is no excuse to say that Seymour is too old or too feeble to come to Albany. Seymour is but two or three years older than Tilden, and Utica is nearer to Albany than is New York, yet Cleveland went to see Tilden. If the President-elect seeks wisdom, let'him ask Seymour; if he desires to learn shrewd political schemes, let him ask Tilden.

That was a high tribute, considering its source, which Edmund Gosse paid to James G. Blaine, upon the former's return to England lately: "I had the advantage of meeting Mr. Blaine, and of having a long talk with him about polities. He was very entertaining. He left me with the impression that he was the most versatile and magnetic man I had ever known; and I could but wonder whether history would concur with that persuasive tongue or with its critics." Mr. Gosse has had the advantage of knowing most Englishmen who are distinguished in literature or politics, and during his visit in this country met many of our representative men. He need not fear for Blaine's place in history. It will be beside that of Seward and Clay, whose names will be household words when those of some of our Presidents will be

THERE is seen exhibited, occasionally, a disposition to belittle the battles fought by the British in Egypt, in view of the small number of the killed and wounded. In the action at Kerbekan, for instance, where Gen. Earle was killed, there was a British side. But it should be borne in mind that the losses in some of these conflicts are such as a simple count of the killed by no means indicate. The character of the men lost must be taken into account. At Kerbekan, besides Gen. Earle, Lieut.-Cols. Earle and Coveney were killed, and four other officers wounded. In such men as those already stricken down the British Government loses more than so many human lives; it loses great mili-WE have learned the source of this ter- tary genius and ability, and suffers telling blows to the discipline of its army. The immense disproportion between the loss of private soldiers and that of the officers, whose dress and whose movements distinguish them, indicates that the Arabs are making very successful use of that destructive instrument of modern warfare, the sharp-shooter.

> THE discussion anticipated by some on the joint resolution in the Legislature to submit the prohibition question did not occur on Tuesday. Yesterday the bill passed the House by exactly a two-thirds vote. The United Press dispatch published on the first page of THE TELE-GRAM adds that "It will probably fail in the Sepate." This is doubtful, however. It is more probable that it will pass, as it is understood that the Republicans to a man will vote for submission. The Prohibitionists will discover, if the question shall be submitted to the people, how loyal to them their new allies, the Democrats, are. They will discover, too, that Repubcans, whose support they might have had but for their action in the late campaign, will vote against them just for the sake of the little salve it will furnish for their still raw sores. The town elections in some of the counties in New York have already disclosed this disposition. In one county, Tioga, where last year the non-license ticket was elected in every township but two, this year but one township in the whole county voted for prohibition. A spirit of revenge ought not to be entertained, but there are Republicans just human enough to entertain a little of it.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

Albany Express: If England would do by Ireland what she has done for Canada and Australia, everything would be well. Chicago Inter Ocean: The presence of Mr. Thurman in Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet might do much to prevent it from being contemptible, and would certainly

save it from being ridiculous. Detroit Post: The New York Sun fears that, if Col. Morrison should be elected United States Senator from Illinois, "in losing him the House would lose a good deal of its interest." It is but the House would not lose any prin-

Cleveland Leader: The Democratic majority in the Legislature propose to present to the people for their adoption a license amendment to the constit t on of the State. Let them do it. The Prohibitionists desire the privilege of voting upon a prohibitory amendment. Let them get it, if they can, from the Democratic members of the Legislature. The Republicans, when in control of the Legislature, gave the people an opportunity of voting upon the question of prohibition. and for this they were defeated in the ensuing election.

Philadelphia Times: Persons who have declares that 1,500,000 cats annually are deplored the long-continued absence of killed for their skins. The profits of the the fool-killer will rejoice to hear that a quire his services in in a fair way to sure the individual referred to a job, not only by making away with himself, but also by taking another foel into the next world with him. The Pittsburg lunatic publishes a challenge inviting any man in that city to stand in the cold or sit on a piece of ice against time. It is carriestly hoped that all who are in favor of such contests of endurance will ment his challenge in their own right, and that at Already the demand for grammen as to relieve their liberated families of on is partir supplied by sys | that portion of the funeral expenses.

### BROWN STUDY IN COLORS.

How a Young Wife "Caught on" to Slang Phrase. "So, old Scrapetill is dead at last," observed David, from the interior of his evening paper; "oceans of money,

"What did he do with it?" queried

"Oh, left it here and there," said David; "that scapegrace son gets a quarter of a million. If he doesn't paint the town red, now, then I'm a

"I should think," mused Dora, soft-ly, as she helped herself to another needleful of silk. "I should think that anybody with a quart of vermilion might paint a town very red indeed."

And David was so astounded that he put his paper in the fire and laid a fresh plush-covered table. - Rockland Courier-

-The Faculty at Yale have unanimously voted to have semi-annual instead of annual examinations.

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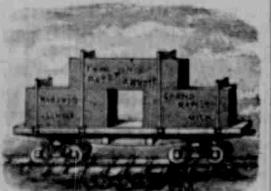
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